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25X1 1. [redacted] authorities in the Chaonan (116-37, 23-42)-Swatow area ordered the evacuation of military and governmental organs and the supplies and dependents of civil and military personnel from this area. The evacuation was to take place in two steps: the first was immediate withdrawal to Jaoping (116-48, 23-58), Fenghuangshan (116-37, 23-59), Fergshun (116-13, 23-56), Chishyang (116-20, 23-32), Tangkong (116-09, 23-45), and Wuhua (115-41, 24-02); the second was further withdrawal to Hsingning (115-49, 24-04) and Meihshien (116-13, 24-18) if it became necessary.

25X1 2. [redacted] military and administrative organs had moved to Chaonan and Jaoping from Swatow. The Communist newspaper, Union (潮語報) had been moved from Swatow to Chishyang. Political prisoners had been moved to Canton, Meihshien and Hsingning. Only skeleton organs remained in Swatow, and members of these organs were required to spend each night at the Communist offices for emergency measures.

25X1 3. The 3 Field Army took over the defense duties of the Chaonan-Swatow area. [redacted] there were two regiments of the 3 Field Army in the Changhai (116-44, 23-29)-Changlin (116-48, 23-36)-Huangkang (116-58, 23-40) area. Two other regiments of the 3 Field Army were at Chaoyang (116-35, 23-17). The 316 and 319 Regiments of the 41 Army, 4 Field Army, were stationed in the Changhai and Swatow areas. About half of these regiments were local Communist irregulars from Swatow and Chaonan.

4. A regiment of former Communist irregulars under LIU Yung-sheng (劉永生) were stationed on Namao Island (117-06, 23-22). The regiment was equipped with about ten howitzers. One battalion of the regiment was stationed at Lungtso (117-01, 23-26), and two battalions at Maupengtao (117- , 23-) and Sankai (三溪).

25X1 5. [redacted] the Swatow airfield had been restored to good condition, but no airplanes were operating from the airfield. One unidentified company was stationed at the airfield. [redacted]

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6. On the night before the Communist "National Holiday" on 1 October, in Swatow the following persons were removed from prison for execution by a firing squad:

CHANG Ch'ien-lung (章潛龍) - former Nationalist magistrate for Nanao Hsien.

CH'EN San-sun (陳三孫) - former company commander of Nationalist units under HUNG Chih-cheng (洪之政).

HUANG Shao-tsung (黃紹宗) - former Nationalist chairman of the Nanao Hsien Council.

SU Tso-hsin (蘇作新) - former Nationalist in charge of criminal investigation, Chaoan Hsien.

This was the third official execution of persons branded as undesirable elements since the Communist occupation of the Chaoan-Swatow area. The authorities in Swatow are stepping up the tempo of their drive to "clean up hostile agents" by rounding up many innocent persons.

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7. Fortifications and evacuation measures in the Swatow area were intensified

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[REDACTED] the Chinese Communists began to fear a landing on the China mainland coast.

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* [REDACTED] Comment: [REDACTED] the government files from Swatow were moved to Liuhuang (116-27, 23-54), commercial goods to Chishyang and Chaoan. Women and children were moved from Swatow to an unknown destination.

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25X1 [REDACTED] the Swatow Military Control Commission had moved to Chaoan. [REDACTED]

** [REDACTED] Comment: [REDACTED] one unidentified artillery regiment, 3 Field Army, and the 91 Division of the 31 Army, 3 Field Army, moved to Swatow to help suppress guerrillas [REDACTED] The 94, 95, and 96 Divisions, 32 Army, were transferred from the Chaoan area to Chekiang Province [REDACTED]

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